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The Coming Debate in the Senate.

We hope there is no irreverence in saying plainly that the main trouble with Mr. Wilson's prospectus, which seas ought to be "free and common he himself regards as so explicit, is in practically all circumstances for that nobody can understand it. Evi- the use of mankind," there can be dence of the failure of the speech to make a distinct impression on any inquiring mind, in any country, is accumulating every day.

You may hear on every side exdral, without having the slightest idea of what the music signified or even of what tune the sublime organist was playing.

For that reason we are not surprised that our British friends, puzzling over the phrase "peace without victory," should be asking themselves how this gentleman in Washington expects a peace that shall be lasting, attended by the reparations and guarantees which the Allies have declared It to be their unalterable purpose to exact from Germany, without that very victory, either won by arms or by enforced surrender, for which the Allies are fighting with prospects every day brightening.

Nor are we surprised that French friends, studying the vague phraseology in which Mr. Wilson has sought to veil his transcendental internationalism, should dismiss it as Utopian and transfer their attention at once to the trenches.

Nor can anybody be astonished that while the speech should be generally regarded in German quarters and among German sympathizers as distinctly pro-German, because it seems to lend a hand to help the Central ave dug for themselves, these same Germans are puzzled to the very core of their intellectuals to know what Mr. Wilson means when he talks about policing them into an acceptance of such principles as the consent of the governed, the democracy of the world, and the discontinuance of great preponderating armies. They are sure to ask if he also has in view the discontinuance of great preponderating fleets.

And they would like further light on his proposal to give every great people a direct outlet to the sea. If it does mean the neutralization of the Bosporus for Russia's benefit. does it likewise mean the neutralization of the Kiel Canal? Does it also mean free German access to the

aptly describes as a pontifical style.

For Americans—which after all is mous, cringing politicians encourage the most important thing, inasmuch John, to the injury of Richard and as President Wilson addressed the the public Richard would serve. Senate and the world as the responsible hend of our Government while declaring almost in the same breath that he spoke only as an individual- the peace it brings be substituted. there must be in store more or less enlightenment in the coming discussion by the Senate of the President's vast but nebulous projects.

Perhaps this debate will enable even Mr. Wilson to see more clearly toward what a prodigious adventure his feet are now pointed. Surely since our national history began there has never been an occasion calling more urgently for absolutely courageous utterance, for absolute independence of partisanship and for absolutely uncompromising Americanism in the Senate of the United

An Autopsy on Iowa.

In a debate in the House of Reprebor of residents as 2,700.

It appeared that the Hon. JAMES

Somerset, so Mr. Hopwood hurried borne by persons who do not seek from a defence of that probably thriving town to an assault on Iowa, building that cost \$350,000:

"Cedar Rapids is dead, the county is dead, and, in fact, lown is dead. Iowa decreased in population 7,000 between the last census and the preceding one.

Some writers have concluded that bought up all the land and got so as well as delivered. Another plan dawned on Mr. Horwoop if he had seem to have been practical in their ambled over to the Senate chamber three days after he made his charge relative to the death of Iowa. It must be evident to all, since Monday last, that what's wrong with Iowa is that she has not the freedom of the seas. She has the Mississippi on one side, the Missouri on another and the corner, and she has more railroads than almost any other State, but she petition. has not the freedom of the seas, "the sine qua non of peace, equality and cooperation."

Pennsylvania, on the other hand, is notoriously in possession of the freedom of the seas. Now, as the "no trust or intimacy between the peoples" of Pennsylvania and Iowa until something is done. Perhaps the Khan of Khiva or the President of Liberia will address a privy council pressions of rapt admiration of the or a legislative body with a view to lofty tone and high ideals of the bringing peace between Iowa and President's utterance, but this is pre- Pennsylvania and will point the way cisely as a person might be thrilled whereby the sens, all seven of them. to the very gizzard by the solemn and will wash every county of Iowa. But stately music in some dim old cathe- the address, when delivered, should be very, very informal.

Why Not Compulsory Obedience to the Present Laws?

"The right of men to quit work." says JOHN MITCHELL, "IS sacred." So it is, and forced labor, though it be described attractively as "compulsory arbitration," will not be accepted by workingmen, unionized or not unionized. The constitutionality of a law pretending to hold a man to a task he wants to abandon would immediately be attacked. If it were found that the Thirteenth Amendment, which provides that involuntary servitude shall not exist within the United States or any place subject to their jurisdiction, did not nullify such an enactment, we should have another amendment covering the subject as soon as it could be attached to the Constitution. The movement in itself would not be restricted to a few trade unionists; every man capable of comprehending the possibilities of the proposed innovation would sup-

port it with all his strength. If such a restriction were imposed on the libertles of men employed in the operations of street railways, how Powers out of the hole which they long would it be before it would be extended to other callings? That coal mining partakes of the nature of a public utility is contended to-day; the production and distribution of foodstuffs are essential to the life of the country; compulsory dairying would have been popular when the milk strike was in progress. There is scarcely a human occupation that could not plausibly be brought within

the definition of "public utility."

Actually what is needed is not less liberty for employees, but more. Let the dissatisfied guit their work. Do not attempt to restrain them. But while they are exercising their unquestioned right, let others who want to take their places enjoy their right so to do, and protect them in it. Therein lies the answer to the question, the solution of the problem. The Our own theory, derived from a terror that fills the public when a conscientious study of this speech and transportation strike is called does the preceding notes, is that President not flow from the fact that John Wilson does not really know himself Doe has left his job, but is inspired of the Medical Corps to guard the health exactly where he is coming out, as by the laxity of administration which of the President for four years. He has he drives one way or another way. permits John Don to keep RICHARD done that duty splendidly, while at the lured on from phrase to phrase by the Roz from doing the work he wants joy of begetting words and the temp- to do. John not only utilizes his work. Doesn't that entitle him to some tations of what an English newspaper freedom, but he says that RICHARD shall not enjoy his; and pusillani-

> If for compulsory arbitration and sory obedience to the penal law and public utilities will perform their functions uninterruptedly, and there will be no need for talk of depriving this man or that man of even a little of his liberty.

Carrying Home Your Own Bundles. The Federal Bureau of Census bos

undertaken to investigate the cost of city cartage as applied to the distribution of commodities by retailers. The merchant has frequently made a study of the matter from the point of expense to himself, but the bureau not excessive, and there is no reason is making its survey to discover the why the owners of cats should not effect upon the high cost of living to contribute to a town's revenues. The

coal and wood, milk, ice and departsentatives on January 19 on the suc- ment store merchandise, the expense culent subject of Pork, the Hon. Ron- of delivery costs on the average more and kills relentlessly and with uni-ERT F. Hopwood of Pennsylvania re-than eight per cent, of the total cost form success. The cat could be lightly marked that he was tired of the dis- to the consumer. There is no doubt muzzled when running free. cussion, except to the extent of say, that the delivery of merchandise has ing a word in behalf of an item of been carried to an excess; that the \$58,000 for a post office at Somerset, person who insists upon the delivery which is in his district and "prob- of the smallest and most inconsiderpbly has a population of 4,000," alliable article has set a standard that though the last census gave the num- the originators of the system had not FRANK DOWNING of the Board of Alder-

such luxuries of shopping. Some merchants have attempted to

delivery system altogether, but have found they were unable to compete with those who retained the system. Others have offered a discount on purchases that are carried away by the buyers. And recently some of the large department stores attempted to reduce the labor of the delivery and return of merchandise by restricting the right of inspection of garments at homes of customers. The goods, it was Iowa has stopped growing because claimed, were not only kept out of the farmers became so rich that they sale for days but had to be sent for many motor cars that the increase in broached was a cooperative system of population was run over and killed. delivery by stores in the same neigh-The real reason, however, might have borhood. But none of these reforms operations. And as a result the number of delivery wagons has grown instead of decreasing. The burden has not fallen so beavily upon the large department store, where the delivery expense represents less than 2 per cent. of the selling price, as it does upon the corner grocer and the Des Moines across, from corner to small shop keeper who are compelled to accept it on account of the com-

The further investigation promised upon the subject and a reorganization of the system, but scarcely its elimination. It will be a long time before people will consent to carry home their own purchases even to defeat old H. C. L., or before there will be large retail firms bold enough to attempt to force them to be their own bundle bearers.

The Registration of Betrothals. Representative CLARK of the lower house of the Michigan Legislature will go thundering down the ages as the man who strove to put the punch into betrothals. The eminent Michigander is appalled by the epidemic of breach of promise cases that is devastating this country, and for which no remedy has yet been found. The trouble seems to be, to his mind, that marriage vows shun publicity and, exchanged as they are for the most part in secret, have little or no standing in a court of law.

Mr. Clark would put an end to nuestion popping without registration. When two young hearts discover that they beat as one, and are inclined to make permanent their eardiac syncalled upon to make an official record of the agreement that the enamored have entered into regarding a prospective marriage. Mr. CLARK is the father of a bill making it obligatory for engaged couples to inform the public, through a county clerk, that they are engaged.

The damages awarded in this country during the past year to plaintiffs cases foot up a very large amount. The bright sunlight of publicity seems to be the only agent through which the unhappiness wrought by the inconstancy of wooers toward the wooed can be reduced to a minimum. There may be a lack of romance about the average county clerk and his environment, but the betrothed who really mean to play square with each other should have no hesitancy about registering their vows and, incidentally, exhibiting their good faith by paying

small fee. What yellow journalism would de if Mr. Clark's campaign against breach of promise cases is successful is a difficult and melancholy problem. But even the sensational press should be willing to make sacrifices.

Josephus's Clever Use of Slang.

Our dreadnought Josephus "talked freely" after the lapse of several days on the nomination of Dr. CARY T. rector in the navy. Asked what special fitness Dr. Grayson had displayed that demanded his promotion over the heads of 114 senior officers. Josephus said :

"He was chosen among all the officers same time fulfilling his duties in hospital consideration?"

The indulgent render will under stand that Josephus was using the word "some" in the momentarily popular sense of a good fat lot, and hasten to concur. Some considerathe forced labor it connotes compul-tion it certainly is, Josephus, and may we add that it is not the first time that you have said something, albeit not always with such a display of delicate humor?

Supposing ABRAHAM LINCOLN had been a victim to the idea of "peace without victory"!

Every time the millennium bobs up

muzzled, as Representative WALTER E. Connecticut Legislature? Ar animal tax of fifty cents a year is cat has long escaped taxation be cause it is regarded as a woman's pet. But women-Goo bless them!also champions and protectors of song which the domestic cat hunts

The police diet squad testifies, honestly no doubt, that it feels better mentally and physically for its expe-Woods. We believe that President conceived, and that the delivery of men would have the same report to goods, like expensive packing, adds in spite of his scorn for it. But when and wines.

think that they will go right back to ham and eggs, sirloin steaks, country sausages and all the other appetizing where Cedar Rapids has a public reform matters by dispensing with the from the dietary and the economists

> George Dewey was fortunately spared the ordeal of reading the President's proposal of a peace without victory to be followed by a world alliance

According to a despatch from St. Louis the old Mansion House at Belleville, Ill., was burned down a few days ago. This was one of CHARLES DICK-ENS'S stopping places in his ride across "Looking Glass Prairie," and he de-

scribes it in "American Notes." DICKENS Was generous of his references to hotels in his first trip ally the best in cities which he visited. Even though the Belleville hotel was cowshed and half kitchen." it was one of the last to disappear. The Planters' of St. Louis, with "most bountiful no tions of providing for the creature where we were as handsomely lodged as though we were in Paris," are preserved only in name; Barnum's of Baltimore, "where we found curtains to the bed," the Tremont of Boston and the City and the Carlton House hotels of New York are no longer in existence. The Nell House of Columbus, Ohio, "richly fitted with polished wood may bring forth much enlightenment of the black walnut," is perhaps the only one remaining.

Puts living cost on lack of beef.

The stock raisers will blame the men who raise feed, and they will blame the munitions plants for the scarcity of farm labor. The trail goes all the way to Sarajevo and then ramifies

It is told that in Moscow butter ells for \$1.70 a pound, while out in Siberia it is made into soap and wagon grease. So Russia is moving better railroad facilities in order more economically to distribute her perishable food, Poor, benighted Russia! She has yet to learn that a rail road is only good to be nagged, ragged, dragged, hazed, robbed, beaten, spoiled, joked and used as a frightful example to frighten voters into electing to legislative bodies railroad bait-

The discovery that the principal tonnage on the Norfolk, Va., and Beaufort, N. C., "canal" is the coal carried on barges to the dredges digging the \$5,400,000 ditch somehow into bacon.

In a Supplementary. Reader for the youths of Vermont who may desire to know "what opportunities the State chronism, the county clerk should be can offer its ambitious sons and daughters," the author, WALTER H. CROCK-ETT, says that "gold mining has been attempted at various times" in the towns of Bridgewater, Plymouth and Readsboro. This statement was much discussed by the people of New England. The Hartford Courant, however, offers as proof the experience of ABIEL SLATTON of Stowe, Vt., who washed out gold valued at \$200 on his farm and had it made into a watch chain and other jewelry for himself of both sexes in breach of promise and members of his family. The Courant adds that this experience might be duplicated by "any well to do man with some knowledge of geology and abundant leisure." at that gold mining would not seen to offer much of an opportunity in the Green Mountain State

> THORRAU beat cost of living : spent \$8.74 in eight months .- Headline. He lived to the ripe old age of 45.

PROLONGING THE WAR. Any One a Party to It Maliciously or

for Gain Deserves Damnation. we have seen the pictures of certain over the country, but which do not disclose a one-hundredth part of the horrible slaughter of human beings and the terrible destruction which grows greater day by day; when we have read in newsbeen in the thick of the fighting; when we have heard men who have been near to face with, there comes over us the feeling that all those who maliciously or for personal gain try to arouse sentiment for a prolongation of such an inhuman tragedy should be eternally ALFRED MULLER.

The Peristeropod Suffragists.

NEW YORK, January 23.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: 1 am informed by a person who has th hall mark of authority that a careful survey of the pedal anatomy of woman suffragists shows that 67 per cent, of the leaders in this great cause of humanity are pigeon toed. Toeing in rather than toeing out is the natural condition, and is it to be inferred from this that these leaders of women are treading the primal paths of their being? I am not a woman, but am a suffragist and am BROOKLYN, January 23.

Wedding Colors.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: The 'black wedding' in your town might have had its color scheme carried further, to artistic advantage. The bride and bridegroom might have had their faces West. They should have taken a Black Maria at midnight to catch the Black Diamond Express to the Black Hills, vith a tour to the Black Sea. "Old Rlack Joe" would have been appropri ate as wedding music, and a ton of coal Savage proposes in a bill introduced would have been my selection of a gift.

SCRANTON, Pa., January 23.

To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: The hens in this locality absolutely refuse to I would suggest that some one re gest the Governor to appoint a committe investigate and report the MILTON, January 22.

From the London Chroniete Three courses seem to have been the ustomary menu in medieval times for a State banquet, less ceremonial feasts comonly two, and no private dinner han one. But each course might prising only two, and so private dinner more than one. But each course might comprise from eight to a dozen differen

Mr. Wilson's Remarkable Phrase Does Not Stand Test of Our Own Wars. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: The past three years have enriched our language with a few phrases which will probably live. First we had the "scrap of paper." Then we came upon a new efinition of neutrality, real neutrality, which imported not only that the nation should scrupulously fulfil all the obligathen, can Woodrow Wilson? that all its individual citizens should be "neutral in thought and expression" placency quite a novel proposition, which does

not seem to have been generally accepted. Then we were told that a nation The Forgotten Island might be "too proud to fight." Also it peaceful merchant vessel armed for demission? Why didn't he free Ireland fence, as such vessels had been with as well as Poland? everybody's consent for generations, should try to use the arms to defend New York, January 23.

nently shot. And now here is a new one, "peace without victory," whatever that may mean. That certainly is a novel concep tion. Without thumbing the pages of history or going back beyond memory of persons now living, how in the '40s certainly ended with victory : ! the National Palace, city of Mexico, and we acquired many hundred square miles of Mexican territory.

sea" and if caught was to be inconti-

Thanks mainly to the untiring vigicivil war in the '60s ended with one ide victorious and the other defeated. The Spanish war of 1898 certainly ended with victory, since Spain was expelled from the island which was the casus belli and which she had owned side of the Atlantic, in the Schleswig-(Austria-Prussia), the Franco-Prussian war, peace came with victory. Is it likely that the present war will be War is not like s unique exception? football game which ends on signal at

a predetermined time with whatever there may be reason to suppose that half an hour more might change the score. This war will certainly not stop just because some outsider gives a signal, even though the whistle be blown by the spokesman of a great neutral

Then too there is the phrase "freedom of the seas." We have seen much of that in diplomatic correspondence from either through ignorance or barter. one of the belligerents. There it apparently connotes the proposition that for all sea borne commerce conditions shall remain the same in war and peace. Is there any likelihood that we are of reasons for the promotion than a deof contraband and blockade thrown into the scrap heap? Is it a reasonable supposition that Great Britain, an island which cannot possibly raise the food to support her population, will now exchange substance for shadow? to keep her home ports open and to never through favoritism. secure access thereto from every corner of the Seven Seas and accept in place branches hardly suggest the qualifying thereof a scrap of paper containing a naked promise that her commerce will not be interfered with, even though military necessity should promisor to break his word?

beautiful conceptions, but it also recalls another picturesque phrase, coined a generation ago by a Senator of the United States, "an iridescent dream."

E. HENRY LACOMBE. New York, January 23.

Mr. Wilson's Failure to Understand the War.

To the Editor of The Sun-Sir: A deep line of moral cleavage separates the warlike aggressors from the unprepared defenders, the murderers of fight non-combatants from their victims, the riolators of women from their prey and the slave drivers from the enslaved. Such cleavage began in this war when the German armies rolled into Belgium. which Germany was pledged to protect To the Editor of The Sun-Sir: When | Forty years of concentrated national effort had created a military machine phases of the war which are shown all which put it within the power of the Kaiser to condemn to death not only of the finest young men of England, France, Belgium, Russia and Italy. Every violation of moral law by the papers and magazines the many per-germans has widened and deepened the sonal experiences of those who have gulf between them and civilized peoples. The bench marks of the descending levels are unhappily familiar to all the the front as war correspondents talk of world, "the scrap of paper," the crimes GRAYSON for the post of medical di- the ghastly scenes they have been face of the Bryce report, the infamy of the Lusitania sinking, the murders of Miss Cavell and Captain Fryatt, the horrors of the wholesale Belgian deportations, the continuing submarine murders of Americans. The most terri ble feature of such acts is the revelation soul, again made clear by the defiant and untruthful statement issued the day of the Entente reply to the President.

Though President Wilson and the pacifists seem not to realize it, the sharpest fact in the war is that it is a

No shower of peace notes and no attempts at peace conferences can bridge the chasm between right and wrong. For any man not to know what the way is being fought for and to intimate that

The United States has played the past. But it would reflect on the Presi- ing material came from the United States, death struggle has been going on, and death struggle has been going on, and it is only egotism to suppose that this. The matter is the war ends. The Entente Allies, with shown that the war cannot end until guilt, with humiliation and repentence, sloughed off its "shining armor," its 'sabre rattling" and its menacing attitude toward the world.

Since Germany has shown no decent spiritual punishment will be that of a moral outcast, only after long and bitter RICHARD M. HURD. of nations. NEW YORK, January 23.

Shall the Fight for Civilization Be in

Kossova, in Poland, Belgium, on the every women and child whose death agonies rise to heaven go un-Thus at the wedding banquet of a Hun's joke? The Hun, whose belly begins to worry him lest he meet the Henry V. there were only three courses, yet over thirty different dishes are mentioned in the records, irrespective of fruits pilfered and devoured, now screams and

Shall a nation that prides itself of being a "friend of the weak" and "humanity's hope," but that put its head weak into the mud and refused to raise even the mildest protest; shall that nation be allowed to save the criminal from his just deserts? Nay, and ten million over the potter. Even Joshua could not make the sun turn backward. How, There are still some Americans who

prefer honor to cowardly smug comown freedom, would not brave pneu-

NEW YORK, January 23.

To the Editor of The Sun-Sir: Will lew hours, possibly with some temporary you please comment on our President's

HENRY J. SMITH.

DR. GRAYSON AND UPLIFT. Views of a Sensible Woman on the Occasional Use of Expictives.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: I was about to ask if the language used a breath of warm Southern air could by THE SUN to express the worth of shuff out. the United States Senate in case it | A live tramp, although hungry, would failed to reject the nomination of Dr. the flag of the United States flew over Grayson as Medical Director, U. S. N., bronze that stands looking at him with over the heads of some hundred seniors, strictly necessary, and to suggest that the matter could be adequately expressed in strict Presbyterian phraseology, when it occurred to me to ask my wife what she thought of it.

This lady is the daughter of a Presbyterian elder. I was somewhat startled to have her say with considerable spirit that the language was perfectly proper and the parties concerned got exactly what they deserved

This bit of Presbyterian flavor added to the sum of what was said on trains. in shops and by firesides would under normal circumstances be very interest ing to men of this denomination.

SOUTHAMPTON, L. I., January 22.

The Naval High Jump Record. To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: The

selection of the young naval aid to the room in a lodging house that costs but President from a list of upward of one hundred ranking officers in the Medical hostelry was to me more natural and Corps for the post of Medical Director quite as humanly satisfying. Then, too. with the grade of Rear Admiral but confirms the flagrancy to which the blood, not mere lay figures whose emopresent Administration is committed tions are expressed in diamonds and The simple encomium expressed by the Hon. Josephus Daniels in seconding

the motion, "that Dr. Grayson is a fine trast between profession and practice young man," was due more to a paucity It is dry! I had urgent need to use If American history is studded with poses, and not having been forethoughtsignal events it is due solely to the mensturdy and vallant, who have subdued its primal conditions, fought its battles

both on land and sea, and have given That us the product of the superior mind in affairs of state. The men or the events experience that fits men to plan and execute the defences that are the safeguards of a country whose borders are

> Josephus Daniels, whose credentials consist in party fealty and an idolatrous admiration of that extensive statesman the Hon. William Jennings Bryan, plus an administrative ability developed in conducting a third rate newspaper, heads our first line of

almost boundless, confining in excess of

110,060,000 people, counting our pos-

defence. service and with no aptitude for affairs military in the past or yet evident, is second only to the President himself in the conduct of the grim business of word that typifies the purposes of our

Department of War. War means fight. Not to seek it necessarily, but to do it when compelled Always ready in any event. An Administration characterized by effeminacy is made still more enervous by the appointment of a man for reasons so

No matter what Grayson's qualifications, even though they exist, they lack me, but I'll fix him yet, and I don't weight coming to the high post as he want advice from anybody about the does over the heads of others, waiting and worthy. His medical and scientific contribution is nil except as it has been vation? His record does not warrant either in kind or length of service, More of a reason than Secretary Daniels advances must exist.

Did the President's order of promotion amplify the reasons? CHARLES CLIFFORD TINCKLER. MAPLEWOOD, N. J., January 23.

What an Army Surgeon Thinks of the President's Act of Favoritism.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: arefully worded editorial article, "Se- by the completion of the Murman Rallway, vited from those either vitally affects niority vs. Selection," in the New York Times of last Sunday, expresses the the Philippines will be larger than ever general disapproval of Dr. Grayson's before, In the last three years there has promotion, but in language so mild and been a steady increase in the size of the guarded that it is evident how painful crop, that of 1916 reaching the total of the simplifiers themselves so value. was the writer's duty in appearing to criticise the Administration, of which the Times is an avowed supporter. Even this, the most flagrant act of favoritboth sides in the war are fighting for been guilty, is rather hinted at than the same objects merely lends aid and boldly denounced. Yet the Times has sels are under construction in two large The United States has played the often handled Josephus rudely in the shippards in that city. Much of the build-

The matter is so serious that it should nation will have anything to say when be kept constantly before the public popular throughout France. the war ends. The Entente Allies, with until the facts are all brought to light, clear vision of the moral issues, have that such a gross scandal should be disclosed at the close of an Administration the spirit of the German people has with none too savory a record is a bad blacked in the style of Primrose and changed, until with realization of their augury for the next four years. The question is not a personal one, and the they emerge a new people which has attempt to explain the opposition to the attempt to explain the opposition to the young surgeon's unprecedented honor as the period of the property of the medical corps of the navy enough make large sales, as trade with eighty as if they note property to the period of the navy enough make large sales, as trade with eighty as if they note property to the period of the navy enough make large sales, as trade with eighty as if they note property to the period of the navy enough make large sales, as trade with eighty as if they note property the period of the navy enough make large sales. is an injustice to men who have grown England, the former supplier, has almost the United States they are handed from gray in the service of their country. Far above their personal disgust, which At the close of the European war it is profound, is the certain knowledge planned to complete the railroad connectation at the intrigue has dealt a deadly from the cities of Changaba and Hankow, lerty from which taxes are result to the navy's best traditions.

Aside from the pleasing personality will be greatly improved by the complete allowed. years to be readmitted within the family that the intrigue has dealt a deadly blow to the navy's best traditions.

Aside from the pleasing personality and professional fitness of the candidate, direct foreign trade. what must a man of honor think of an officer who would allow himself to be Vals I officer who would allow himself to be months have purchased most of the forced into a position of which he knows skins in Aden. Arabia. Prices ha to THE EDITOR OF THE SUN—Sic: Shall he is unworthy? But what's the use? creased from \$0.50 to \$12.33 a score. the swine trample the pearls under The "Solid South" is behind him and foot? Shall the spirit of truth and jus- he is "in the hands of his friends." It tice be mocked? Shall the heroic sacri- is the general belief of army and navy fices, the blood spilt on the plains of men that his nomination will be jammed through in spite of opposition. fields of France be put to human scorn? does Grayson care," said an officer, "if Shall every woman and child whose he gets the place?" ARMY SUBGEON. ARMY SURGEON. NEW YORK, January 23.

> In Iridescent Dream. Kuicker-What is peace without vic-Bocker-A rainbow without the sun.

W. Good of Iowa had made snoots at greatly to the charges that must be the noble twelve break training we PEACE WITHOUT VICTORY. demands succor for his fast decreasing ADVENTURES OF AN AMATEUR TRAMP FROM THE NORTH IN FLORIDA

On the Wings of the Merning, or the Trucks of a Freight Car, He Fled New York, and in Old St. Augustine He Met Up With All Sorts.

monia in the execrable weather of New

Henry M. Flagler at the railroad sta-

figure in the development of this field

for his migratory exploit would arouse

ne more than a flicker of emulation that

spacious grounds and the striking Span-

sh architecture of the Ponce de Leon

and the less conspicuous Alcazar. But

under their roofs, for if he were a dress

suit tramp with a dollar or two he

then go out and sleep in the open under

I didn't do the latter, for I hadn't

room in a turret of the Ponce appeals to

a trifle as compared with a room in

This Southern town as a type of many

Southern ways I took my informant lit-

CITIZEN FIXIT.

that it disagrees with some folks.

NEW YORK, January 23.

PHILADELPHIA, January 23.

of the previous year.

390,000 metric tons.

To the Editor is a woman a liar?
Anxious Inquires.

TRADE BRIEFS.

Experts to this country from Bradford,

France, in 1916. American automobiles are

Electric tanning machinery is needed in

American gloves are in demand in Cuba.

industry out of New York and Boston in

December, 1916. The total catch was 648,260 pounds, valued at \$33,646.

Lathe clamps are needed by an engineer

An Australian merchant is in the mar-

Monumental Blunders.

"Peace without victory"

Up on your pedestal "Too proud to fight."

Joins you by right.

briquetting machinery.

GUT SMUG.

the stars of a halmy Southern night.

tion. The alert pose of the once p

Florida pentusula.

some few clothes.

belong to a club.

Southern gentlemen?"

It is but a slight difference that dis-|erally and looked for a club. I wound tinguishes a tramp from a traveller. A up in the store of a wholesale dealer in liquors and asked for a pony of brandy tramp, like a traveller with a proper appreciation of climates and a sense of his Half a pint! And I must drink it at a

the flask into my pocket and went out York in January. He would take the Then I took it from my pocket and wings of the morning, maybe in the A pony was a crime, a barrel a virtue. Roaming one morning through the streets, the high Southern lights reflect. If he happened to drop into St. Auing glaringly from the walls of white gustine over the sleepers of a roadbed ses, I was stopped by a boy who asked me where he could get some rose offer to strip him of his last dull nickel He was a self-possessed youngster in he would more than likely stop long the garb of a ranchman and stood care enough to study the effigy of the late

certain distance from the door. I slipped

which he held in his hand as he asked his question. "Roses? What for?"

"Oh, I want them for my ranch." "Your ranch! You are too young to run a ranch"

lessly poking dents in the soft felt has

"Me an' my pardner does." "Oh, your partner. About your age, I suppose ?'

'No : he's a man. He's gone down the the sculptured tenseness of flesh and line an' won't be back till nine o'cloci blood. He would bolt through the ranks to-night. of the cabbles, and if he hadn't a nickel "Had breakfast?" would hike with his bundle of rage

"No: can't get it till my pardne through the streets of this lingering reminder of the rule of Spain on the omes back. "At nine to-night? Come to break Maybe he would look with awed wonfast with me. der as he walked up King street at the

We went to a restaurant patronized by the genteel floaters in the town whom but whose resources cover a dollar room and the ordinary resorts of the average Southern idler. They stared half re sentfully at my shabby young friend ould sip the honey of a millionaire self-possession he ordered his meal and cheek by jowl with him at dinner and with the healthy appetite of youth he mixed grapefruit, pickles and pork chops with indiscriminate and happy careless modding acquaintance with the police. A ness of results. Then he paused for a moment and beckoned to the waiter, man's passion for the bizarre. But a

"Say, mister, what'll another egg When we went out in the street he vas as smiling as the sunshine "Well, did you have enough"

"Nough! Say, that was a bully feet the people in the latter are flesh and Where's your hotel, mister." I took my card and writing Ponce d eon on it handed it to him. "There you are. Dinner at half pas-

I will be waiting for you. there is a striking example of the con-He looked at it curiously and half de is afflicted with a virtuous microbe. dafnfully. "Oh, that's where ver stoppin'. I waited in evening clothes for him some brandy for perfectly natural purunder the palms of the Ponce. It would ful I looked for some. I couldn't get a be rare sport to challenge his right to a sip at the bar, but was told that I must seat among the mighty in its gorgeou dining room. He didn't come. I though

"A Yankee tramp in the company of that his failure to appear was to e phasize his disdain of the morning for "Join a club and get your drink. It's high life. So I dined alone, robbed of asy! Just ask for a ticket of admis- the keen relish with which I had eater by proxy a breakfast of everything or

FINDLAT SACKETT

"GENTLEMEN'S SPELLING." Suggestion of a Designation for the

A Worthy Applicant for the Ear of the Vanishing Flocks of Letters. United States Senate. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-SIT: I TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: recently published report to the effecclieve that my neighbor next door, that the Pennsylvania Educational As-Mr. Doe, should lend his motor car to sociation indorsed (or endorsed) simplithe man opposite, Mr. Roe. I think that Mr. Roe should trade his bulldog for a toy spaniel, as our block would latest) annual meeting is, in a Philadelphia morning newspaper, supple like it better. I believe that Mr. mented by the edifying "estimate" (o Jones, who has a garage, should let everybody on our street use it, and guesstimate) that "within ten years" the present "complicated spelling" of the that Mr. Smith, who has a sun parlor, American language will be should offer the use of it to Mr.

Being a tramp and unsophisticated in the card that was hard to digest.

Brown, who is a bit pale. I think obsolete everybody in my neighborhood should If 1917-27 is to witness a decennia stop using white bread, as I have read fight to the finish between two rival er thographies, and especially if the as I have wonderful ideas and I would sumption is well based that in this case "finish" means the triumph of the sin like to expound them to the United plified, then it is now, or it certainly States Senate or the Board of Aldermen. Any day will do except next soon will be, in order for some one to Monday, when I have to be in court "start something" to provide a fitting about a line fence dispute with the lasting historical name for what is now man who lives back of me. He is a variously, and perhaps carelessly, reno good creature who constantly defles ferred to as the common, or ordinary, or

regular, or conventional spelling.

Because: If that kind of spelling is destined to disappear gradually "within ten years," more or less, such applica tory terms as "regular." &c., will more Inquiry From a Disappointed Wretch. and more, in the silent but relentless procession of days, weeks, months, years. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Why tend to become designational misfitswill in fact have become by 1972 rid

ulous misnomers. Therefore, while there is yet time. Gentlemen's Spelling is proposed as a name for it, a name which may on ex-England, in 1916, amounted to \$14,480,660, printe under (or in) any possible cir decrease of \$5,343,800 from the experts cumstance of usage or change observed. lescence or obsequies; and criticism of The timber industry on the Murman or indorsement (or endorsement) oast of Russia will be greatly benefited this experimental nomenclature is

It is expected that the sugar crop in or merely mildly concerned. Last and latest, but not at all least of the simplifiers themselves, so va-

Investigations are being made in Panama iantly progressing onward and upward in their eferta 2 apel of the suda upward in their eferta 2 apel of the suda upward in their eferta 2 apel of the suda upward in their eferta 2 apel of the suda upward in their eferta 2 apel of the suda upward in their eferta 2 apel of the suda upward in their eferta 2 apel of the suda upward in their eferta 2 apel of the suda upward in their eferta 2 apel of the suda upward in their eferta 2 apel of the suda upward in their efects 2 apel of the suda upward in their eferta 2 apel of the suda upward in Shipyards at Hongkong, China, have ex-perienced a prosperous year. Eighteen ver-

"Consent the Governed."

To THE EDITOR OF THE SEN - Sec. Does

American touring cars and motor trucks the President think that when the time ere exhibited at the fair at Bordeaux, for peace comes the United States will be ready to take her place among the nations as one "deriving all powers from the consent of the gov-Women are governed here in cast iron or steel pipes for a new muni-cipal water works; delivery to be made in the latter part of 1917.

Women are governed been in fore they must constitute a so ditto Republican rule to Democratic rway at back and forth like some of their ren collected without representation being

Would it not be better to clean ou tion of this road. There is at present no own national home before trillig to be a American dealers in the past three shining Spotless Town example to other the goat nations?

BROOKLYN, January 23. Twenty vessels engaged in the tile fish

> To the Entres of the StN-Ste Calany of your host of well informed reader tell me the burial place and date and place of death of Andrew cibbs Less ago he was clerk of Queens sound less team, New York At another time he was clerk of Suffolk county. New York and he also served as also test of the test of Brookhayers in that county the head of Brookhaven in that young, the held the patent for land in the town of 1809 west of the famous Nicoli patent

Bastlen, January 23.

C. L. C. Dirwast.